

Affordable Housing Coalition

Tuesday, April 17, 2012

10:00 AM to 12:00 PM

MINUTES

Members Present: See attached sign in sheet

1. Introductions/Announcements:

- AEOA weatherization now taking applications in Duluth through May 31st for fuel assistance. Anyone needing assistance, please apply.
- Grand opening of the One Roof centralized housing will take place on June 5th at the Central Hillside Community center.
- AEOA announced the hiring of their new Housing director, Scott Zahorik. There will be an open house at AEOA on April 23rd, at 1:00.
- AHC members would like to explore ways for other housing related community meeting information to be funneled to AHC meetings through updates/minutes/?? Meetings of interest include, but are not limited to: Healthy Homes, Affordable Homes, Fair Housing, Transition Coalition meetings. If AHC members belong to, or know of contacts for any of these meetings, contact City/County staff.

2. Approvals of March minutes/Additions to agenda – Approval of March minutes will take place in May. No additions were made to the April agenda.

3. Treasurer's Report – Carol reported previous balance of \$1,446.60. Previous balance was \$1,598.12. Our account was debited for \$1.55 for an account analysis charge on March 5, 2012. We had no deposits during the month of March but had expenses of \$151.52, of which \$137.07 was for two posters made by Shel-Don Reproduction for the AHC exhibit at Duluth/St. Louis County Days and of which \$12.09 was for exhibit candy. There have been no deposits or expenses so far in April so our balance needs no further adjustment and remains at \$1,446.60.

4. City/County Staff discussion items

- **"Homeless is My Address, not my name" fund-raiser** – SLC staff provided overview of St. Louis County's Project Homeless Connect fund-raiser, which took place on April 10th at the Depot in Duluth. There was a great turn out at the fund raiser, which raised over \$2400.00. 2012 Project Homeless Connect planning will begin shortly. This event will take place in conjunction with the Wilder Count on October ~ date will be released shortly.
- **2012 Point in Time Count –Unsheltered** - SLC staff provided group with final numbers of Unsheltered individuals in St. Louis County. Emphasis was placed on increase from 2011=99 to 2012=183. Increase was in part due to better unsheltered partnerships developed to locate & identify people living outdoors, in abandoned buildings, cars etc...

- **2012 HUD SuperNOFA process** – The first steps for the 2012 HUD SuperNOFA application process are currently underway. The first step was collection of Sheltered beds/counts through the State of MN OEO survey, which was collected for the date of January 25, 2012, along with the Unsheltered count done on the same date. The second step is completion of the Housing Inventory Count (HIC) chart for St. Louis County. These two steps must be updated and completed to be entered into HUD's Homeless Data Exchange system by April 30, 2012. St. Louis County's CoC coordinator scheduled two opportunities, one in Duluth and one on the Iron Range for CoC providers to meet & go over the HIC, due to changes for 2012. The meetings will be held on Thursday, **April 19th from 1-3** at the Youth Foyer in Virginia, and Friday, **April 20th, from 1-3** in Duluth at the Government Services Center. Final HIC #'s must be sent to St. Louis County by Tuesday, April 24, 2012.

5. Heading Home SLC Leadership Council: AHC representative, Lynn Gerlach-Collard, and St Louis County staff provided update from April meeting. Leadership Council members went over draft ByLaws, Conflict of Interest, and Mission/Vision/Goals. Additionally, a chair, co-chair, and secretary were elected. The chair is Richard Wolff, vice-chair, Durbin Keeney, and secretary, Deb Wagner. Final draft of all documents will be distributed to AHC members when complete.

6. AHC Mission/Vision committee: A sub-committee met regarding developing the Vision/Mission/Goals & ByLaws for the AHC following this meeting. Agenda items included: AHC leadership selection process, voting process, roles/responsibilities etc. This group will meet one additional time on April 26th at 10:30 at Community Action Duluth to finalize recommendation, which will be brought to the May AHC meeting for further discussion/recommendation.

7. Committee meeting updates:

8. May Committee Meetings:

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The next AHC meeting will be held on Tuesday, May 15, 2012, 10:00 am – 12:00 pm at the Damiano Center